

# CAPTURE PUTS END TO CAREER OF BOLD OUTLAW

## KOREAN OUTLAW TRAPPED, CAUGHT IN DAWN BATTLE

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him. One of them came back to me, hearing that I was hit, and told me that the Korean had been killed. Then others came back and they carried me over for a look at him where he was lying near the garage by the hospital grounds on Beretania. After this they came and picked me up in the patrol, and here I am."

McDuffie is wounded just above the left knee in the fleshy part of the leg. The wound is evidently quite deep. The bullet is still buried in the flesh and will have to be probed for. McDuffie smiles when asked if he is weak from the loss of blood he suffered, and shakes his head. His hearty handgrasp bears evidence that there is much reserve force in his big body yet. Sheriff Rose and Mrs. McDuffie were with him this morning at the hospital.

"In spite of all the morning paper has printed to the contrary," says the captain, "we have been constantly on the job. During the last three nights we have been especially hard at work and during this time we men who have been handling the case have had about eight hours' sleep in all." It was not determined until this afternoon that the wound in Keuk's neck is not at all serious. At first it was feared that some chord or artery might have suffered injury which might result in his death, but this afternoon word is given out that neither the neck nor the leg wound will probably prove in any way a menace.

The bullet in McDuffie's leg may be probed for tomorrow morning. Several members of the detective department visited the Korean this morning, but they made no attempt to talk with him. Every courtesy was extended by the detectives and Sheriff Rose, and the hospital authorities, to representatives of the Star-Bulletin who visited the Korean today.

## ROSE PRAISES WORK OF FORCE IN KEUK CASE

"This is indeed a 'scoop' for the police and detective departments," laughed Sheriff Charles H. Rose this morning, commenting on the capture of Yee Yo Keuk, the Korean bad-man. "I have nothing but praise for the good work done by Mr. McDuffie and Captain Baker and the other men who aided in the capture."

Captain of Detectives McDuffie, lying wounded in his room at the Queen's hospital, only smiled and asked for a cigarette. "I haven't got a thing to smoke," he said. Whereupon a reporter handed over a sack of tobacco and a package of papers. "You can say this for me," volunteered McDuffie: "ever since Yee Yo Keuk escaped from the city prison this last time certain members of the detective department and several police officers have been on the lookout for him. Officers Swift, Belmont, Anderson, Woo and Howell were among these officers. There were also four foot police on the job, if I am not mistaken. We knew that we were going to catch the Korean this morning, and we knew that we could not do it without a fight. No, my leg does not pain much. I expect it will mean that I will be laid up here for several days. Reward? Oh, I suppose they will give that to Fred Makino."

Has Victimised Japanese. McDuffie said that from what he has been able to learn, Yee Yo Keuk has been living for more than three months in and about the place where he was captured this morning. His trade of crime has been piled largely among the Japanese, the detective added.

Yee Yo Keuk first came prominently to the attention of the police when he was arrested early last spring on several charges of robbery. He had been a Japanese hotel thief for many months before the police finally captured him, the police say. Another charge against him was that of intent to commit the murder of one Nakamura, a Japanese. While awaiting trial on these charges, the Korean made his first getaway from the city jail, in May. He was finally captured and his case was taken before the territorial grand jury. When arraigned before Circuit Judge Ashford, the Korean pleaded not guilty to the assault charge. He admitted having committed numerous burglaries, however. The case was set down for trial, and the Korean was taken back to the city jail, there to await the hearing of his case. Got Over Jail Wall.

It was during the lunch hour that Yee Yo Keuk made his second getaway from the city jail. He had gone to the kitchen and gotten his lunch and had brought it back to the table. The jailer was sitting on the same bench. Yee Yo Keuk got up and left the room. Instead of coming back, he climbed the fence, got over the wall and away.

Since his escape, reports of robberies attributed to Yee Yo Keuk have flowed into the office of the sheriff in a continuous stream. That many of these robberies were committed by persons other than the Korean is the opinion of Sheriff Charles H. Rose.

Although nothing definite could be learned today, it has been reported

## FORMER PARTNER IN CRIME GAVE POLICE TIP ON KOREAN'S LAIR

Chun Duck Soon Bore Ancient Grudge, and Bargained to Be Made Jail Trusty

Yee Yo Keuk was betrayed by a former partner in crime.

Chun Duck Soon, a Korean bad man and at one time almost as much a menace as Keuk, gave the police the first clue to the hiding place of Keuk. Soon, who is serving a term of one year in jail for burglary, recently told the police that he knew where Keuk spent his nights and if they would help him to get a pardon, or to spend the remainder of his term in the city jail instead of the county jail, he would lead them to the hiding place of Keuk. Soon said that he would not dare betray Keuk and then go back to the county jail for fear of assassination by the friends of the Korean bandit.

Soon had an ancient grudge to satisfy. Once, when Soon was out of jail, he was given \$21 by Keuk to rent a house, and instead of doing so went to Maui with the money. Later he was brought back to serve time for three burglaries and Keuk is said to have been instrumental, through friends on Maui, in giving him up.

Ten days ago Soon was brought to the city jail and made a "trusty." Night after night he has led the police to the house on Punchbowl street where Keuk hid, but no chance to get the bandit came until last night.

It was the plan of McDuffie to take Keuk as he left the house for his midnight expedition about town. Friday night, when the police went to the house, the informer went up to the cabin and found that two men were in the place.

Waited All Night.

Saturday McDuffie, Capt. Baker, De-

tective Kellett and Chun Duck Soon waited all night, but Keuk, coming back to the house, chose a new route and they had no chance to take him. Monday night Keuk was within three feet of Soon, but the informer had orders not to attack him and lay still.

Last night Keuk had evidently an inkling that officers were watching. For the first time he did not leave the cabin all night, and the police and detectives waited from early in the evening until dawn, growing cold and tired, for the forthcoming of Keuk. When he failed to appear and they saw the time had come for action they rushed the house and the shooting followed.

Yee Yo Keuk began his criminal career three years ago, when he was arrested for larceny and served a short time in jail. After his term he became a "bad man."

Keuk made an escape from the city jail last April, while awaiting trial for burglary, and was at liberty until captured by detectives with the cooperation of a friend of the Korean, who gave him a drug in his liquor while they were drinking together in a resort on River street.

After taking the "dope" the Korean sensed the trap, jumped through a window, ran past the officers who were waiting for him and, going up River street, stopped at a Japanese laundry and shot the proprietor twice, once in the hand and once in the back. Further up the street he fell asleep and was captured.

On May 16 Keuk again escaped from the city jail and embarked on a career of crime which has included at least half a hundred robberies and several revolver battles with the police.

Before his last escape from jail Keuk asked for a revolver, saying he wanted to kill himself.

## EARLY MORNING MURDER MAY BE LAID TO KEUK

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for E. C. Winston, was killed last night by Yee Yo Keuk, is the positive opinion expressed by police authorities today, after a brief investigation.

Keuk, groaning in agony from the bullet wounds received this morning during his revolver duel with Chief of Detectives A. McDuffie and other officers, refused to talk to Detective Kellett and Deputy Sheriff Asch this morning, further than to deny that he killed Yee.

Whoever murdered Chee Wong Yee came to the outside of the building on an alley near the intersection of Beretania and King streets, where the man lived, and smashing the window glass put an arm through and shot two .38 caliber bullets into Yee's head. Yee Yo Keuk's right hand is cut, as though by glass, and the police believe the wounds were received when he broke the glass of the window in Yee's room.

Yee had a good reputation and had been trusted by Winston, for whom he took care of the tenement where the crime occurred and acted as rent collector.

Yee informed Police. Last winter Keuk took a room next to the one in which Yee slept and when the latter found who his neighbor was he informed the police, and Keuk was arrested. Yee has frequently said that Keuk threatened him with death for betraying him.

Some time last night Keuk slipped out of his hiding place on Punchbowl street and made a short sally about town. This, the detectives believe, was when they relaxed their watch for a time and sat down in the park to eat some sandwiches and drink coffee. They have been up night after night waiting for the Korean and were tired out, so that early this morning refreshments were sent for and they had lunch.

Probably while they were eating the Korean left the house. Those who watched are almost sure that he was absent for a time and they believe during this time he took his threatened revenge by killing Yee.

Gave Keuk Drugged Booze.

Detectives this afternoon disclosed the fact that Chee Wong Yee was the man who gave Yee Yo Keuk drugged whiskey so the police could take him without a fight. Keuk said afterwards he would kill Yee before he was himself taken or killed.

An autopsy this afternoon disclosed that there was but one bullet in Yee's head. Two holes were made by the bullet, which ranged upward and almost came out of the skull and then shot downward again.

Dr. R. G. Ayer, who made the autopsy, revised his first opinion that two shots had been fired, when he could only locate one bullet.

Yee was killed by a .38 caliber bullet and the missile found in his head fit exactly the same kind which are used in a revolver such as Keuk carried.

that on one occasion Yee Yo Keuk threatened to kill John Woo, the Korean detective, and Woo's wife and children if the detective ever started to hunt for him or tried to solicit information regarding his whereabouts. Made Nightly Forages.

The sheriff's office has reason to believe that since his escape Yee Yo Keuk has been in hiding in Honolulu and that he has made nightly forages in order to obtain food and money.

The second charge of assault with intent to commit murder was lodged against Yee Yo Keuk on June 21, when he was locked up at the police station for having shot and dangerously wounded a Japanese named Okasaki. His capture followed a desperate gun fight with detectives and police officers who had spent the night in an

## HID FOR MONTHS HERE UNDER GERMAN CHURCH

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the Korean had been hiding in and about the German church, which is near the place where he was captured this morning.

"Speak Yee Much Hungry." "This morning I hungry," the Korean continued. "I go in house and ask for something to eat. I stay under church. I speak too much hungry. I speak give something to eat." "What time you come there?" "I think 5 o'clock. I come from under house."

"How long you stay under house?" "I think maybe three, four months."

Detectives told the reporter that they had taken up the floor of the servants' quarters in which the Korean was captured, and made an investigation underneath the building, but that they found nothing there—no evidence that anyone had been living or sleeping there.

"Cook man he savvy you stop that house?" Sheriff Rose questioned. "He no savvy. No one savvy, nobody," answered Yee Yo Keuk.

"How many men go along with you?" "Only one man," the Korean said, meaning, probably, that he worked alone.

"You go steal place?" "No More Money, So Steal."

"Yes, I go. No more money, so go steal place."

"You go Moilili? You go Kobayashi place?"

"Sometime I go Moilili."

"Did you go inside Japanese hotel?"

"No, no more," answered the Korean.

"How many places you go steal?" asked the sheriff. "You go all this time you outside?"

"Sometimes I go. Suppose no money, I go place steal if he got money."

"You steal?"

"Yes, me steal."

"How many place? Maybe 20 or 30?"

"No, too much," the Korean answered.

"How many places you steal?" urged the sheriff.

"I don't know now."

"Every night you go?"

"No, no, no. Sometimes only once one week. Sometime once two week. Sometime get hungry, have to go get kau-kau. Maybe no more money, I go get."

"Makino speak you steal 100 time," said the sheriff.

"Don't know now. Can't say now," answered the Korean. He gritted his teeth and groaned.

Didn't Want Face Washed.

"I guess he doesn't want to talk any more now," said the sheriff. The conversation between the officer and the Korean ended there. A nurse came in and took the Korean's temperature.

Yee Yo Keuk objected strongly when a Japanese attendant came in with a basin of hot water and started to wash the Korean's face.

"I am inclined to believe," said Sheriff Rose, "that the Korean has been credited with more robberies than he actually committed. I think that someone has been taking advantage of his absence from jail and has been committing some of these robberies."

endeavor to capture the Korean.

Okasaki was found in a house in Parker lane badly wounded. He said he had been called to the door by Yee Yo Keuk and shot, the Korean alleging that the Japanese had given the police information regarding the former's whereabouts. The Korean was found asleep on the lanai of a house in Kellett lane. When awakened, he flourished a gun at the officers and was taken into custody after a brisk fight. He was readily identified by the Japanese as the one who had done the shooting in the Parker lane house.

## To Ask Pardon For Informer On Desperado

Authorities Want Chun Duck Soon Freed; Keuk Had an Elaborate Signal System

Pardon will be asked by the police authorities for Chun Duck Soon, who made it possible to capture Yee Yo Keuk last night. Soon will also claim the reward of \$300 offered by Japanese merchants, who say that the reward was to be paid to a civilian.

Detectives and policemen today were unanimous in saying that they would not take a reward if it was offered, and that if any reward was paid it should go to the informer, Chun Duck Soon. Fifty dollars, offered by Sheriff Rose for information which would lead to the capture of Keuk, has already been assigned to Soon.

Shin Chee Soo, in whose room in the servant's quarters of the Villa Lani Yee Yo Keuk has made his hiding place for many weeks, today denied that he knew the Korean was a bandit and said the man had only spent two nights under the floor of his room.

Asked how long he had been hiding in the room of Shin Chee Soo, Keuk himself said he had been hiding there for three or four months.

Keuk had a place dug out beneath the quarters where Soo slept. During the day he hid there, and late at night went forth on his marauding expeditions, returning about daybreak.

Several days ago the police watched Keuk come back, but in the half-light of dawn were not positive it was he. McDuffie, who was nearest him, lay quietly while the Korean walked up to the door and knocked three times. In answer, a light in the room flashed three times. Keuk replied with three knocks again and the door was opened for him.

The signals and the hours kept by

## RAPID CRACK OF GUNS DOES WORK OF ALARM CLOCKS

Residents in the vicinity of Beretania and Punchbowl streets, where the shooting occurred which resulted in the capture of Yee Yo Keuk, the Korean desperado, were awakened this morning at daybreak by the rapid crack of automatics, instead of by the prosaic jangle of alarm clocks.

"I thought it was a bunch of firecrackers," exclaimed one resident on his way to work this morning. "Then I realized it was guns instead. My first thought was to run to the window to see the excitement, but the whizzing of bullets past the house convinced me I'd better stay in bed. After the shooting had died down I looked from the window and saw the officers standing over what I supposed was a dead man down on Beretania street."

"I first thought it was a band of boy scouts with rockets," said an old-timer, who was telling his version of the shooting to a crowd of listeners in front of the yard where the bandit had hidden. "Pretty soon I heard a bullet whizz past the window, and the boy scout idea quickly faded from my mind."

Oriental along Beretania and Punchbowl, especially Japanese, are much interested and evidently elated at the thought of Yee Yo Keuk's capture, the fact that he has been at liberty having troubled them for weeks.

Everywhere along Beretania this morning little knots of Japanese and Chinese women gathered to gossip over the affair.

the man convinced the detectives that it was Yee Yo Keuk, and every night since they have waited, ready to take him or shoot.

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